# City of Anna Staff's Weekly Highlights June 1– June 5

The Mission of the Anna City Government is to provide exceptional city services and facilities in a financially responsible and neighbor-focused way through a high performing, professional city team that provides results in adding value to neighbors' lives

## **Growing the Anna Economy**

- The Economic Development Director held a meeting with a company interested in the Business Park property.
- Economic Development staff has completed the PID Policy and will bring before the Council for approval in the near future.

#### Anna – A Great Place to Live

- The Parks Department put new benches together for installation near the splash pad at Slayter Creek Park. The ballfields at Slayter Creek Park and Johnson Park were prepped as well.
- The Code Compliance Manager sent out 50 rental registration letters and 36 International Property Maintenance Code letters. Twentythree signs were removed from the right-of-way.
- The Neighborhood Services Manager completed base information for the
  - trail system master plan. The project entailed looking up land on all the city plats and property ownership on Collin CAD to determine possible linkages and trail connections. The trail system master plan will continue to be worked on during the Parks Master Planning process, however, the base information that has been compiled is necessary to aid the Parks Master Planning process and to determine the best projects to submit for possible grant funding from Collin County.
- The Neighborhood Services Manager compiled information on parks, facilities, projects, and events to assist in the Parks Master Planning effort.
- The Neighborhood Services Manager started compiling information on sports complexes and community centers to be used in discussions during the budget process.



• With the protests and riots that have been occurring across the state and nation, the Police Department has been working with organizers of a planned protest in Anna to ensure it remains peaceful. The priority of the Police Department is the safety and security of everyone involved directly and indirectly. The team has responded to countless emails from neighbors voicing concerns and showing support for the protest march. The Police Department has coordinated with multiple surrounding agencies to assure our neighbors and the City will be protected.

# Sustainable Anna Community Through Planned Managed Growth

- The City notified the community that construction will begin on West Crossing Boulevard north of Chatsworth Drive this week. In preparation for the work, the contractor will be making a traffic switch and creating a 4-way stop at the intersection of Chatsworth Drive and West Crossing Boulevard. Staff expects the work to be completed in approximately 30 days.
- The Hackberry Water Tower Project is complete. Staff worked diligently with the contractor to help the install the light fixtures and to aim them properly. Initially, the installation was going to cost the City \$16,400. Because City staff was able to come in and complete much of the installation, the City saved approximately \$7,100.
- Staff held a meeting with NewGen to provide more information to assist in the rate study and to get closer to presenting a final recommendation to Council.

### High Performing, Professional City

- Officer Timothy Rodriguez joined the Anna Police Department on Monday June 1. He will begin his field training program beginning this week. We are excited to have him as a part of the team as he helps bridge the gap in areas of expertise were lacking in the department.
- The Director of Human Resource Director sent an offer of employment for the Director of Neighborhood Services. Marc Marchand will start on Monday, June 15, 2020.
- The Director of Human Resources is reviewing the City of Anna personnel policy for policy revisions.
- The Director of Human Resources met with City Manager and Assistant City Manager to review current medical, dental, vision, and prescription benefits. Staff also discussed retiree benefits, STD, LTD and life insurance option.
- The Director of Human Resources drafted several job descriptions to assist with the restructure of the Public Works Department. These have been sent to the Assistant Public Works Director for review using our compensation software.
- With the assistance of the City Secretary, the Director of Human Resources has created a form on the City's website for neighbors to recognize employees.